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HOUSE BILL 788

Short Title: Water/Sewer Authority/Rate Flexibility. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Catlin and Hamilton (Primary Sponsors).

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Referred to: Public Utilities and Energy.

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1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO AMEND THE STATUTE GOVERNING THE POWERS OF WATER AND  
3 SEWER AUTHORITIES TO ALLOW THE AUTHORITY TO SET FLEXIBLE RATES  
4 FOR WATER RESOURCES STORAGE OR PROTECTION PROGRAMS.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 162A-6 reads as rewritten:

7 "**§ 162A-6. Powers of authority generally.**

8 (a) Each authority created hereunder shall be deemed to be a public instrumentality  
9 exercising public and essential governmental functions to provide for the public health and  
10 welfare, and each authority is authorized and empowered:

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12 (9) To fix and revise from time to time and to collect rates, fees and other  
13 charges for the use of or for the services and facilities furnished by any  
14 system operated by the ~~authority~~ authority, including flexible rates for water  
15 stored by the authority through programs to store and protect water resources  
16 in the region served by the authority. For purposes of this subdivision,  
17 "programs to store and protect water resources" includes, but is not limited  
18 to, aquifer or surficial storage.

19 ...."

20 **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.

